

MR. GIBSON'S RECEPTION In Lahaina.

From an occasional Correspondent.

LAHAINA, Oct. 10th.

I send you a report of the reception of His Excellency W. M. Gibson, at Lahaina, Maui, on the night of his arrival, October 7th, and of subsequent occurrences during his stay here.

It was rumored about town that Mr. Gibson was coming to Lahaina; but those who knew most said it was not probable, as he could not leave the capital on account of business, especially as the Attorney-General and Minister of Finance were absent; but late in the afternoon it was decided to decorate and illuminate a boat and go out to the steamer to escort him to the wharf—and, even if disappointed, it would show a compliment to His Excellency.

As soon as the Kinau was sighted, about 10:30 P.M., a crowd of natives, most of them carrying torches, started to meet the steamer in a large whaleboat decorated with festoons of flowers, between which lanterns were suspended. When the boat came within hailing distance, the captain shouted—"Is Gibson aboard?" and as soon as Purser Beckley answered "Yes!" three cheers were given. Mr. Gibson was rowed to the shore in the whaleboat. There several large bonfires lighted up the scene. A number of natives were waiting on the wharf, which was ablaze with illuminations and the flash of torches. On landing, he was escorted to his house by the torch-bearers, followed by a great number of people, who gave him three hearty cheers when he arrived at his old home. The next day a committee composed of Judge Kahaulelio, D. Kamaeipili, S. Kaine, and A. Makekau, waited upon His Excellency and invited him to address the people at Wainee, the native church, on Thursday evening, the 9th, which invitation he accepted.

At 7 o'clock on the appointed evening Mr. Gibson was escorted from his house to the church by a number of natives on foot and on horseback, each carrying a blazing torch. The church was filled with people to an extent that has not been seen here for many years, and while His Excellency and his escort were entering, the plaudits which filled the large old church from the multitude, all of whom had risen to their feet, showed that the sympathies of the people of Lahaina were unmistakably with the King and the Gibson Ministry. Mr. Gibson, indeed, received on this occasion as hearty a welcome and ovation as he could desire. Three cheers for him were again given with great enthusiasm.

Judge Kahaulelio made a few introductory remarks expressive of the cordial and gratified feeling of his fellow townspeople on this occasion, after which Mr. Gibson addressed the audience in the Hawaiian language; and as there were many foreigners present, he repeated the points of his discourse in English, substantially as follows:

"Since I last had the honor to address you, and to represent you in 1880, we individually, and our country, have undergone some notable changes. It is proper, on the occasion of our meeting together again, that I should speak to you, my former constituents, of the interest I have taken in public affairs, and express something of my views on the political situation. I determined to visit Lahaina, my old and pleasant home, the first place on leaving the capital, after many years of close application to public business. I received your support in 1878 and 1880 as being a representative of Hawaiian independence, and an advocate for the promotion of Hawaiian national sentiment, and for the support of the Hawaiian monarchy. I have maintained the principles for which I received your support, both as a representative of the people and as a Minister of the King.

It is as a Minister that I will speak more fully of my public action. I have had charge for over two years of the Foreign department of the Government, and the care of public education, and of the public health.

The foreign policy of the Govern-

ment has been to make known the name, resources and capabilities of Hawaii throughout the civilized world—and to accomplish this as much as possible through the instrumentality of Hawaiian's own native sons. This policy has been happily carried out through the successful mission of Col. C. P. Iaukea. I have appreciated that recognition and political favor, have in times past been accorded by great powers, to a native Hawaiian chieftaincy and people rather than to the foreign administrators, enterprise and population of the Kingdom. I have, during my administration of the foreign office, witnessed a most gratifying increase of goodwill and courtesy towards our King by the Sovereigns and Governments of the States of America, of Great Britain, of Germany, France, Russia, Italy, Spain and Portugal. Hawaii is now recognized as an active and enlightened member of the family of nations. She has taken part in many international enterprises at London, Lisbon, Boston and Washington, the Government now sending a representative of Lahaina, Mr. Aholo, to the latter capital, and her participation has been courteously sought by the governments of the great States I have mentioned. Hawaii is taking no step backward, and inspires the political world with the hope that she will maintain her independence in perpetuity. My part in the health administration of the State has been variously criticized, but you residents of Lahaina will not say that my administration has been inactive,—as I have had to order in accordance with law, and with much heaviness of heart the removal from your midst of many of your number supposed to be afflicted with an incurable and contagious malady, and have caused to be removed from their homes in the several islands and segregated, about seven hundred of the Hawaiian people. I surely did not consult my popularity in such action, but was governed by considerations of law and duty. I have striven with all the means and power at my command to mitigate this great national evil, and when a band of Sisters of Charity, most noble and self-sacrificing ladies, were induced to come to the help of our sick, to nurse and to comfort them, I felt that the country had gained a signal blessing, and we might hope that Divine mercy would stay the national affliction. I have not perhaps always counted the cost in caring for the public health, as happened when the steamer Madras, having cases of smallpox on board, endeavored to steam into the harbor of Honolulu. I determined that she should remain outside of port, at all hazards and costs, rather than risk the loss of a single life among our people on shore.

In the matter of education, I can say that during the period of my official charge there has been a steady increase in the number of schools and pupils, and in the efficiency of teachers, not only in Honolulu, but throughout the country, there has been a great improvement in the thoroughness of instruction, and although it may not be that Hawaii will produce many learned men and scientists, her public schools will, I know, prepare for the duties of life, numbers of young men and women well equipped with a superior mastery of language, and a stock of fundamental knowledge, to ensure success in the ordinary pursuits of life. I am proud at this time to point to your Lahainaluna Seminary where industrial and mechanical training, combined with scholastic instruction, have been combined with such marked success.

In regard to joint action with my colleagues, I will speak of the general administration of the Government. This has ever been progressive and consistent with the means at command. The improvement and construction of highways and all facilities for inter-communication and transportation have been energetic and steady. I am glad to note your recently well-constructed sea-wall, your improved wharf and breakwater, and your new market. These improvements represent among you the present Interior administration, and I am happy to say that we have now at the head of the Interior Department a gentleman who has engineering tastes, mechanical skill, and methodical business habits, which actuated by a patriotic and

loyal spirit will lead him to use every available means at his command as a Minister for advancing the material progress of the country.

In our Minister of Finance you people of Maui will pleasantly remember your former loyal and popular Governor. Since those days of his official residence at Lahaina, he has accomplished an important mission to the Empire of Japan, and illustrated with dignity and ability the enlightened spirit of Hawaiian diplomacy. The finances of the Kingdom have been competently managed during his administration. Of course there will always be persons who will talk about the extravagance and bankruptcy or want of credit, of this or of any other Government, but this must be said, that this administration has been enabled to borrow more money than all other administrations put together; so much for its credit. And as it has spent the money for immigration and internal improvements, all remunerative investments, the expenditure will discredit in fair minds the charge of extravagance. At any day, the public property, created by public indebtedness, would suffice to pay the public debt.

But you have had your minds exercised on the subject of the coinage, and have perhaps been led to believe that our own Kalakaua dollar costs very much less than any other dollar, and that somebody had made an immense profit out of its coinage. Now this is not true. Our Hawaiian silver dollar, which bears the impress of His Majesty and the national device, cost in bullion, seignorage for coinage, dies, transportation, interest, insurance, and other charges, about 95 cents. The Government could not have done any better, if we had a choice, and competition of agencies for executing the coinage. And with this silver coin we have carried out the enterprises of the Government, and paid our indebtedness on account of immigration and works of internal improvement, the same as if we had gold in hand.

I am pleased to say that the Government is fortunate in having the assistance of an Attorney-General, who is a lawyer of eminent ability, and who aims to effect most important reforms in the police administration of the Kingdom.

I am happy to point out to your loyal hearts an enlightened Sovereign who sustains with firmness an united administration whose trust is in the King, and in whom His Majesty is pleased to confide. The united endeavor of the King and Ministers is for the welfare of a loyal people."

The remarks of the speaker were frequently interrupted by enthusiastic applause, and a storm of cheers greeted the closing reference to King Kalakaua.

The committee that had escorted Mr. Gibson to the church, now accompanied him along with many torch bearers, to his residence at Lanikeha, where he was serenaded till a late hour.

On Friday, the 10th instant, Mr. Gibson visited the Lahainaluna Seminary, where he was received by Mr. Hitchcock, the principal, and the President of the Board of Education, inspected, with much interest, the workshop of the students, in which were evidences of superior mechanical ability.

Mr. Gibson, later in the day, visited the Lahaina Union School, a large and flourishing institution, with about 140 pupils, under the able and judicious superintendence of Mr. Henry Dickenson, principal, and Miss Dickenson as assistant. The singing of the whole school was excellent, and highly commended. Mr. Gibson afterwards visited the St. Cross School, under the charge of Miss Albro.

On Saturday, the 11th instant, Mr. Gibson left Lahaina per steamer Kinau, at 5 A.M., and arrived in town about noon.

There are said to be ladies in this city who are too well bred to make bread well.

The less religion a story has about it the more religiously we are apt to listen to it.

Rev. Joseph Cook calls himself a Pandemonianist. We don't exactly know what a pandemonianist is, but we should say that Joseph has diagnosed himself about right.

ISLAND NOTES.

KOHALA, Oct. 9th, 1884.

We notice our friend Mr. Ascu riding about in a new trap drawn by a nice horse. Carriages are getting quite plentiful down here, but the roads must be improved before any great pleasure is derived from a drive by moonlight.

When our roads are repaired why aint some sense used that the next rain will not wash all the work away? We notice a number of natives at work throw soft dirt on the hill side but we fail to see any one with them that seems to have any authority, and to direct the work and pay it where it would stay. The small amount properly expended would soon give us fair roads.

The Lock Chin Tong Society are putting a veranda on the dramatic hole at Kaiopili, thereby greatly improving the looks of the establishment.

We hear that Judge Hart has purchased the land of Niulii in this district. We are glad to learn it, as he is one of the kind that is willing to share the profit with the planter and by so doing gets the best work they can put in. Niulii will "blossom like the rose" and all interested will make something out of it.

Kohala is blessed with copious showers but we must have heavy and continual rain before flumes can be used to deliver cane. Halawa Mill is waiting for such a state of things.

Mr. Mason who keeps the saloon at Halawa, was convicted of selling liquor and sentenced to pay \$500 and endure the reef for three months, all on the testimony of one witness. Nothing like a judge of good moral ideas.

The Portuguese at Star Mill who refused to work, have, with the consent of all parties decided to let their case rest till after the November term of the Supreme Court which is to decide on an appealed case of a similar kind.

A native named Piilani living at Makapala fell from the Cliff on to the rocks below, fracturing the frontal bone besides severely cutting and lacerating himself in numerous places. He was for several days delirious in consequence of severe contusions of the brain, and Dr. Thompson still considers him in a very dangerous condition as it has been only by the strictest attention that his life has been thus far saved.

The Chinese being cognizant of the great lack of labor have been refusing to work except at advanced prices, but the planters with one or two exceptions have held out against their demands, which with the pressure our active Sheriff brings to bear under the Vagrant law, seems to be bringing them to their senses.

The article in this week's ADVERTISER, regarding the Jug handle working of the Sunday law is good. It is quite a satire on the law when the same judge that fined the poor Chinaman ten dollars for simply taking his clothes home on Sunday, was seen a week later with a big water-melon under his arm on his return from Church. But he belongs to the Missionary party who seem to hid the sins of those under its protection.

FRIDAY, Oct. 10th.

Sam Kamakaia and Kailiannu, arrested for drunkenness, forfeited their \$6 apiece to the Government Treasury by not appearing to answer the charge against them.

David was fined \$5 and costs when he pleaded guilty to a similar charge.

Joseph Williams, arrested for taking a rope which was attached to another man's horse, and forgetting to let the horse go, while he was in a drunken condition. He was charged with larceny and drunkenness. The first charge was dismissed, and he pleaded guilty to the latter, and was fined \$5 and costs.

Mukini, charged with stealing a shirt valued at \$1, from Mr. Lazarus, on the night of the 6th inst., will have his trial to-day.

Kulia, w, charged with disorderly conduct, had her trial continued indefinitely.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Meek street has been finely graded and macadamized.

It is reported that Mr. Charles Hasselman, the artist, will sail for Sydney by the next steamer.

Daniel Lyons, Manager of the Daily Haikauian, will go to the Coast on the steamer Mariposa.

Messrs. Robert More & Co. have fallen into the ranks of those business men who advocate a monthly collection of bills.

It is reported that the new Telephone Company has already nearly five hundred supporters.

Candidates for the position of non-commissioned officers of the Honolulu Rifles will be examined this evening.

The Clerk of the Supreme Court now has a telephone of his own. Heretofore he has had to use the one in the Marshal's office.

The steamer Likelike, on Saturday last, brought the body of a Chinaman who had died on the passage from Kahului.

The old bridge on the Ewa end of Bereania street is being repaired.

A swimming match is contemplated to come off at the Long Branch bath-house, in a short time. Here will be chance for the expert strikers-out in water.

Dr. Charles A. Peterson has been appointed Government Physician for the district of Koolau, in place of Dr. Mathes, whose ill-health has obliged him to resign.

Captain Neilson, of the steam-tug Waimanalo, is reported to be on the sick list, and Captain Hempstead temporarily takes his place.

The Union Feed Company, to-day, advertises a wholesale and retail business in hay and grain on the corner of Queen and Edinburgh streets.

H. B. M. S. Swiftsure, now lying, or recently at Victoria, British Columbia, is commanded by Captain Brand, formerly of H. B. M. S. Zealous, on the same station.

The doors, window-frames, and sashes for the Spreckels Bank building have arrived, and we may now look for the speedy completion of an ornament to the city.

Mukini, who stole a one-dollar shirt from Lazarus, was found guilty of larceny by Justice Bickerton, and sentenced to hard labor for six months, and to pay costs of \$3.40.

The brigantine Hazard arrived yesterday afternoon from the South Sea Islands, with about 85 laborers for plantations. Their disposition is already arranged for, we understand.

It is reported that there will be a foot-race at Kapiolani Park on the anniversary of the King's Birthday. The contestants are supposed to be Jacob Sims and Billy King, and the prize \$200.

Chief Justice Judd of the Supreme Court yesterday made an order that the portions of the estate Wm. Love, deceased, belonging to them should be made over to two of his children, a son and daughter.

The shareholders of the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Co. can get a \$4 per share dividend by calling on the Secretary of the company, at the office on the Esplanade.

This day Messrs. Lyons & Levey, the auctioneers, will sell at public auction, at their Sale Rooms, a superior selection of furniture expressly imported for the late F. T. Lenehan. It will be a chance for rare bargains.

The schooner Rosario arrived October 5th at Kahului, with a cargo of general merchandise for parties there. After discharging she took 1184 sacks of sugar for ballast, and left on her return for San Francisco last Saturday.

The Chinese vendors of vegetables, ducks, chickens, and eggs, have changed their morning mart from the corners of Hotel and Nuuanu streets to Meek street, the new thoroughfare recently constructed from King to Hotel streets, between Nuuanu and Maunakea streets.

The Kamehameha road, running from the Palama road at Kalihi, up the Valley, is being improved by the breaking of the boulders in it, and the filling in and rounding up its surface with coral rock. What was almost impassable is now a passable road.

Mr. Jonathan Austin of Onomea having turned loose seven mongooses about a year ago, notes a sensible reduction of rats among the cane and in the mice in the sugar house. The mongooses themselves are rarely seen, but an occasional nest proves that they are breeding. Mr. Austin has heard of no complaints from poultry owners.

Michael Lewis, reputed to have been one of the best horse-shoers and mechanics in the country at one time, who has been confined in the Insane Asylum for nearly a year, escaped from that institution on Sunday just before noon. It is not known if he has been re-captured. He is said to be the possessor of about \$10,000 worth of property.

A file is to hand from Mr. George Bowser of the Herald of Trade, a San Francisco journal which he introduced here, and for which Messrs. J. M. Oat, Jr., & Co. are the agents. This journal is devoted especially to the interests of the jobbing and manufacturing interests of the Pacific Coast, and consequently its columns always contain matter of interest to traders in these Islands.

The number of the new Portuguese immigrant laborers disposed of yesterday was 175. They were shipped by the steamers Likelike and Planter to the following known plantations: Waikapu Sugar Company, 7; Paia Plantation, 21; Haiku Sugar Company, 24; Hutchinson Plantation, Kau, 30; Hilea Sugar Company, 47; Wailuku Sugar Company, 17; Hawaiian Agricultural Company, Pahala, 29.

Mr. G. M. Lake, better known as "Gus Lake," has purchased the Smith Baggage-Express business. His stand will be on the corner of King and Fort streets, and his telephone number is 202. He proposes to carry anything from a reticule to a Saratoga trunk, or a cradle to a bedstead in the most easy and tender way, and take his coin therefore gracefully. He is one of the most reliable of men.